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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is a U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application  
entitled: A Method for Diversity Site Group Operations in air/Ground Communications

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and including:

- ☒ (39) pages of description (before the claims);
- ☒ (15) pages of claims ((43) total claims; (9) independent claims);
- ☒ One (1) Sheet of Abstract;
- ☒ (24) sheets of drawings including Figures 1 - 26.

1. Also enclosed are:

- ☐ executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Application Data Sheet
- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- ☐ Power to Prosecute
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Form PTO/SB/08A
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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2. ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first heading the following paragraph:

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§119 and/or 365 to \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

A certified copy of the priority application ☐ is enclosed ☐ will follow.

3. ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first heading the following paragraph:

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

4. ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first heading the following paragraph:

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to U.S. Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

5. The filing fee has been calculated as follows ☐ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

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|---|------------------|--------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Basic Application Fee   |                  |        |                 |           | \$750.00          |
| Total Claims  | 43               | - 20 = | 23              | x \$18.00 | \$414.00          |
| Independent Claims  | 9                | - 3 =  | 6               | x \$84.00 | \$504.00          |
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| Total Application Fee   |                  |        |                 |           | \$1,668.00        |
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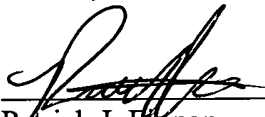
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. §122(b).

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